

THE YANKEE SCHOOLMASTER.

On "Mile Hill," a farm-house, a lowland structure, built of wood, whose chimney, weathered and gray, stood tall and lonely, was the scene of a scene that was not to be forgotten. The house was old, and the yard was overgrown with weeds and grass. The sky was overcast, and the air was cold. The house was built of wood, and the chimney was tall and lonely. The house was old, and the yard was overgrown with weeds and grass. The sky was overcast, and the air was cold.

Each Sabbath morn, from spring to winter, when the children were at school, the house was a scene of activity. The children were at school, and the house was a scene of activity. The children were at school, and the house was a scene of activity. The children were at school, and the house was a scene of activity.

But "Amie Rebecca" watched in vain the curling smoke from the crane. She watched in vain the curling smoke from the crane. She watched in vain the curling smoke from the crane. She watched in vain the curling smoke from the crane.

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Worth, the Man-Milliner. A lady, having looked upon the mirror of mantles-makers, writes thus: "Worth is not all that fancy pictured in your mind's eye before you saw him. I have seen him, and he is a man who is not all that fancy pictured in your mind's eye before you saw him."

The Square Man. The square man measures the same each way, and haunts got no windy odds. The square man measures the same each way, and haunts got no windy odds. The square man measures the same each way, and haunts got no windy odds.

Like Mistress, Like Maid. "Sir," said the thinking, "there is only one way to have good service, and that is to be worthy of being well served. Like Mistress, Like Maid. "Sir," said the thinking, "there is only one way to have good service, and that is to be worthy of being well served."

It is Worth a Trial. It was troubled for many years with kidney complaint, gravel, &c., by blood disease, &c. It was troubled for many years with kidney complaint, gravel, &c., by blood disease, &c. It was troubled for many years with kidney complaint, gravel, &c., by blood disease, &c.

USEFUL HINTS. THE HOMES OF AMERICA. EXCHANGE EXPRESSIONS. Mr. Warner on the Donkey. A GOOD FAMILY REMEDY! MUSTANG Survival of the Fittest. POND'S EXTRACT. CELLULOSE EYE-GLASSES. HOP BITTERS. DR. BILLS' IDOL WORSHIP OF WORLD. SYRUP. GREGORY'S SEED CATALOGUE. BEST YOUNG MEN. PETROLEUM JELLY. COLUMBIA BICYCLE.

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

FRIDAY, : : : : APRIL 1, 1881.

Local Items.

Short communications on public questions printed—but not responsible for sentiments or expressions of correspondents—except where we refuse to give name of author.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

We are authorized to announce C. M. VAUGHN as a candidate for re-election to represent the counties of Fulton and Hickman in the Lower House of the next Kentucky Legislature.

The Union City Fair will commence this year Oct. 4.

Mr. Geo. I. McFall, of Fulton, died at that place on the night of March 24th.

O. K. Barber shop removed—opposite Laclede Hotel. Call and get nice shave, &c.

The wholesale destruction of timber begins to excite alarm in various parts of the State.

The 45th snow fell Tuesday. There is four more prospect for this winter. Good by, beautiful snow.

All the upperivers are falling. The Missouri has been flooded, doing great damage, but is again falling.

Some of our farmers say that cotton pays twice as much per acre in this locality as grain, to small farmers.

SAVE YOURSELF for a nice suit of clothes, direct from New York, next week.

The Mississippi is cutting away its banks above St. Marys so rapidly that it is believed that the town will soon be left inland.

Jan. Humphreys, of Ballard county, who was bitten by a mad dog, some weeks since, has been confined in the county jail for safety.

Seed Potatoes. EARLY ROSE and LADY, &c. call.

RETURNED—Mr. Louis Kayser, the baker, announces that he has returned, and is now ready to serve customers with fresh bread, cakes, &c., as formerly.

The Nashville exposition will open on the 27th day of April, and close on Saturday, May 28th. Efforts are being made to make it a grand success.

Maple Syrup! For pure Maple Syrup, call at

Col. Bowman, in his late report, says that fully half the bees are killed. This is true of this vicinity especially, as we learn of several who have lost heavily.

Mr. C. M. Clayton, a farmer of this county, and an upright, good citizen, died Tuesday last of measles. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss.

R. E. Millet has been sworn in as Assistant-Postmaster at Hickman, and has proven by efficient service one of the best selections that could have been made.

There was a fight in town to-day, and the parties, after a slight tussle, decided to settle the matter by going to BUCKNERS and buying a full supply of groceries.

Venor only to be happy. He has succeeded in successfully predicting four or five "worst snow storms ever known" this winter. His last effort was undoubtedly his best.

The railroad from Hickman to Nashville is to be treated to new iron on the entire length of the road. President Porter, also, announces positively that an elevator will be built at Hickman this season.

The farmers are not as plenty in town as last week, as they are all busy getting ready to put in their crops. From the number of plows sold, there will be a large increase in the amount of land cultivated in corn and cotton.

Cigars! For the finest, best and cheapest Cigars go to

STEAM JOB OFFICE—We are prepared to furnish Letter Heads, Statements, Bill Heads, Pamphlets and all kinds of Job-work in city style and at city prices. Our friends in small towns should send us their work.

The National Board of Health are building, at Memphis, a fleet of floating hospitals, to be used at various points between Cairo and New Orleans. They have accommodations for 12 persons, and are to be completed by May 1st.

Good Bacon! If you want good Country Bacon Sides, Ham, Shoulders, Lard, &c., call at

\$5.00 FINE—Citizens are notified that sweeping trash, emptying coal buckets, waste paper, dirt, or trash of any kind, on the streets, subjects the offender to a \$5.00 fine, and that the law will be rigidly enforced.

The Hickman steamer, Silverthorn, is doing a lively and paying business, both for the owners and the town of Hickman. It passes up the river, for Cairo, Mondays and Fridays; and down the river, for New Madrid, Wednesdays and Saturdays.

Goods Given Away! Come with your baskets and get them filled, at

TO THE PUBLIC!—We have secured the services of Mr. Keith Blanton, recently of Paris, Tenn., to take charge of the Courier Job room, and propose hereafter to turn that department with increased energy and advantages. Give us a trial on your job printing.

Our friend Book Cooke, of this county, has a son who promises to be a very Goliath in size. He is 14 years old, 5 feet 4 inches high, and weighs 138 pounds. If he remembers rightly, if he keeps on growing until he is 21, he will overshadow Kentucky's giant—"Baby Dicks". The young man is robust and healthy.

LOWER and LOWER. All kinds of Groceries—bams, sides, &c., as cheap as the cheapest. I will not be outdone.

At the millinery establishment of Mrs. Addie Jones you can find the latest spring fashions and a grand display of figured, stamped and brocaded goods; all colors of satins, feather-edge braid, red and white, ornaments of jet, gold, silver and pearls in beautiful fashions, towers of frosted rosettes, wreaths, beautiful and of every description.

BUSINESS AND MARKETS.

Business circles are remarkably quiet, nothing doing in the produce market, except in corn, and the crop of corn in this immediate locality has been nearly all marketed. The receipts by river amount to 4000 or 5000 sacks. Price in depot 45c. New Orleans 61c; Atlanta, 61c.

Cotton—Strange to say, cotton continues to go down—so much so that some of our dealers, on the idea that it has reached the "bottom," are buying freely in "futures." Hickman prices from 6c to 10c. New York, middling, 10c; New Orleans, ordinary, 8c; low middling, 9c; middling, 10c.

Dry Goods—The tendency of dry goods in the wholesale market is slightly to lower prices. Hickman merchants are in receipt of large spring and summer stocks, but the "blizzard" this week has forestalled the season, and sales have been light. The millinery line is active. Mrs. Jones, the leader of Hickman's fashion bazaar in this line, has received her spring goods, and the ladies are in ecstasies over these. The grocers have been doing a very respectable retail business, and very well as usual.

Seeds—Field seeds have advanced in upper river markets, but Hickman merchants authorize the following quotations: Clover, red, \$5.75; \$6.00. Timothy, choice, \$3.50; prime, \$3.25. Red Top, 75c to 80c. Seed oats, black and white, 50c; white, 55c. Potatoes—Early Rose, \$1.50. Peach Blow, \$1.00. Peerless, \$1.00.

For other articles our regular table will give a fair estimate.

Breakfast Mackerel! For nice Breakfast Mackerel call at

As there will be more corn raised in this county for the markets this and after years than heretofore, there should be greater care in the selection of seed. Many a farmer fails of securing a good crop because he plants the wrong kind of seed. Good seed is the best start for a fair crop, and every successful farmer is careful to secure.

The well-known (in these parts) lit the steamer, T. T. Hillman, was sold to Mr. Stein, of Jefferson City, Mo., a short time ago, and will be used by that gentleman in supplying the work at the penitentiary there. The Hillman has been run a great deal between New Madrid, Hickman, Columbus and Cairo, and it seems like parting with an old friend to let her depart. —Columbus Times.

Country-Cured Hams, Pickles, Mess Beef, Cranberries, Pickled Peas, Figs, Holland Herring, and other goods to mention to mention, received daily, at

SPRING MILLINERY—Mrs. Jones announces to the public that she has moved into the Davis store house, and is opening a large line of Spring Goods of the latest styles and fashions. She cordially thanks her patrons for past favors and assures them she will use all diligence to retain their trade by keeping in her stock the best millinery goods that can be purchased in the eastern markets, and by selling at reasonable prices. And she also solicits the patronage of those who have not heretofore made purchases from her.

MILLINERY. MRS. JONES. Takes pleasure in announcing to her friends and the public that she is now in her new stand—the Davis house—where she will be pleased to show them from her large and beautiful stock of

Spring and Summer Millinery, being, by far, the handsomest and most elegant assortment ever brought on. Her stock embraces fresh and novel designs in lingerie, and everything pertaining to a lady's wardrobe, including a select and beautiful line of Ladies Underwear. She gives her entire time and attention to her business, leaving nothing undue to please her customers, to whom she returns thanks for past favors and solicits a continuance of the same.

Regular Opening. TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH. Remember the day!

Memphis, Tenn., gets rock to pave her streets from near Russellville.

BREB gardens are excluded from the section of the Ohio new Sunday law.

Gen. Abner Buford will save about ten thousand dollars from the wreck of his estate.

One hundred and fifty failures last week, an increase of 15 per cent, over the previous week.

They spell it "transitory insanity" in California. That is the plea the lawyers set up for Kallack, who some months ago walked deliberately into the San Francisco Chronicle office and shot Chas. DeYoung like a dog, and was acquitted for it.

Attention from Strangers. Young widows are not generally adverse to theater going, neither was Mme. D., a resident of the Rue du Faubourg St. Honoré, at Paris, when the other day the postman brought her an envelope with two stall tickets—for her, the other for her little son—for the representation of a new and fashionable piece at a well-known play house. Upon the paper, stamped with a Count's coronet, she found the mysterious words: "Be punctual. My seat is just behind yours." Was there any one of the visitors of the building more punctual for the opening scene of the overture than she? Not even her generous mamma had learned the act of punctuality so well as she. The seat behind her was empty, and remained so. There she sat, waiting for the interesting acquaintance she had hoped to meet. Many a time the door of the stall was opened, but that lady behind her continued unoccupied for a long, long time. At last, Mme. D., lost patience, and, considering herself neglected most outrageously, left the theater. She drove home directly, and, oh, horror!—found the door of her dwelling open, her presses and safes forced open, and emptied of every object worth carrying off. She concluded that her anonymous friend had, after all, been punctual to his appointment, and vowed she would never again accept of tickets from a stranger.

COURIER QUERY BOX.

Questions or answers solicited from any reader of the COURIER, and particularly from pupils of Fulton County schools. When a question cannot be readily answered, it will be printed, expecting some reader to answer it. No religious or political argument, or proposition in mathematics, admitted.

At Home. Mr. Editor—I want to give the housekeepers of this section a simple, sure test of flour: Dip a silver spoon into the flour, if the indentation leaves a smooth, clear impression of the spoon, it is good.

CRACKER. CATIE STATION, KY. DEAR SIR—Please inform the readers of your Query Column if there is a ship that is not generally adapted for commerce, or if so how long is it?

ANSWER—No. The Tennessee route is 112 miles to the Jordan Station, Ky.

What counties in Kentucky produce the most tobacco, wheat, corn, and hemp? YEOMAS.

ANSWER—Christian county is the largest tobacco and wheat-growing county; Fulton the largest corn growing county, and Woodford the largest hemp growing county in the State.

CRYSTAL TOWN, March 16. Mr. Editor—Please state in Query Column the amount appropriated by Congress for the improvement of the Mississippi River between Cairo and Memphis.

Who is Kentucky's greatest statesman? Yours, J. O.

Is only one million dollars from Cairo to New Orleans. 2nd. We think, Jas. B. Beck.

HICKMAN, KY. Mr. Editor—The river at this place is 1 mile wide—the current running 4 miles an hour. A skiffman, pulling at the rate of 4 miles an hour, starts across, saying his skiff was so land at a point directly opposite the point of departure. How far does he travel in crossing?

C. & L. (Referred to pupils of Caldwell's and Saunders' schools.) CLINTON STREET, V.

What is meant by the "metric coin" in this country? ANS.—It is a combination of gold and silver, and the result of a bill introduced by Mr. Stephens in Congress, to establish a standard U. S. coin. The "dies" were made, and one, each, of the coin presented to members of Congress; but Congress failed to adopt it.

TIPPOONVILLE, TENN. Are not Quakers and Shakers the same, and do they not each teach non-combativeness, or opposition to fighting? JACK.

They are not the same; and yet each do hold to the same tenet as to opposing war and fighting. One distinctive difference is in regard to marriage. The Shakers forbid marriage; but the Quakers encourage it as a Christian institution.

AT HOME, NEAR HICKMAN. EN. COURIER—Why are the schools of our counties in which persons are trained to teach Common Schools, called Normal Schools?

The word "Normal," from Norma, Normalis, means a rule; relating to or teaching the rudiments or elements, &c. Hence, "Normal School," a school for training persons to teach first principles, &c.

MOORE, KY. ED. QUERY COLUMN—What is "Enslaving," and for what purpose is it used? Please answer, and by so doing, oblige. A READER.

ANSWER—"Enslaving" is a new method of preserving green food for stock. By this method green food such as fodder, &c., undergoes fermentation and comes out in winter or spring in the shape of good food for all kinds of stock. Those who have used it declare that two tons of it is worth more to feed than four tons of fresh fodder or one ton of the best timothy hay.

HICKMAN, KY. For the information of our readers, will the Query Column tell "How wall paper is made?" S. H.

The paper is made precisely as any other paper. It passes through presses very similar to the ordinary printing press, and is then passed through the rollers of a "grounding" machine to give the requisite body to receive the colored patterns. The "patterns" or figures to be printed are carried on maple wood, either on blocks or rollers. Only one color of each pattern is printed at a time. The most delicate figuring is done by best pieces of brass.

HICKMAN, KY. ED. COURIER—I know that the "trick" performed by magicians showing a body, less head, a trick and not a "spirit," but does science explain it? W. B. T.

Science explains these illusions: There are two silver mirrors placed at an angle of forty five degrees with the sides of the box or curtains on the stage. These reflect the sides and serve to hide the body or entire person of the invisible performer; in other words, when it is desired to become invisible to the audience the performer simply goes behind the mirrors. The illusion, for it is purely an optical illusion, has been described in every language and illustrated fully in every form.

X READS. Mr. Editor—If a farmer gives the ground, on which he has taken from him, for a public use, to whom does the fruit, grass, trees, &c., which may grow upon it, belong, to the public, the county, or the original owner? FARMER.

ANSWER—To the owner of course. The owner only conveys to the public the "right of way," and the county has absolute control for these purposes, but the owner's title to the ground, for any and all other purposes, not obstructing the privilege granted to the public as a "right of way," remains as good as to any other part of his land. When ceased to be used as a public road it is his land, absolutely so, therefore, he has a right to the grass, fruit, &c., that may grow on it.

HICKMAN ACADEMY. Mr. Editor—For information of the "most correct" tell us "What is the meaning of 'O. K.' on an account, and does it mean anything in law? 2nd. What is meant by 'Arrested'?" O. K.

ANSWER—"O. K." means "correct"—"all right." Its meaning has obtained by general use in business, and we think would hold just this meaning in the courts. It said to have been originated by General Jackson while President of the United States. He sent documents to the Department signed "O. K."—Andrew Jackson, President, &c. One of the Secretaries wrote him inquiring what "O. K." meant. Jackson wrote back, "O. K. means correct, what else could it mean, you block head!" Being so much shorter than the old method of approving a legal document, business adopted its use. 2nd. Arrested, what else could it mean, you block head!

Aestheticism means the philosophy of taste; the science of the beautiful, fine arts, &c.

What Nations wrote from right to left? (Answer.—The Syriac and Phoenician languages were written from right to left; but the Phoenicians afterward changed, and wrote from left to right, and left to right, alternately. In the Sixth century, B. C., the present manner of writing from right to left came into general use, and since that time has been almost universal. The Chinese and Japanese are exceptions, their books reading from top to bottom. No doubt they will soon abandon their methods for ours. Providence, who was a teacher of Homer, was the first to introduce the present manner of writing; but it was not generally adopted for centuries after his time. Historians differ in regard to the Chinese writing. Some say that they read from top to bottom of the page, and others as the above. We, perhaps, have omitted some of the Nations, and if any one can give us any information, we will be glad to see it in the COURIER.

THE SCHOOL. ED. NOTE.—The above answer is correct; but, as further information is asked, and the question has excited unusual interest and investigation, we submit the following: As a rule, all languages are written in the Arabic or Syriac script, the Egyptians and modern Abyssinians follow this mode of writing. All the Median and Persian inscriptions now legible are written in this way. The Greeks and Phoenicians originally so wrote, but about the 2nd century the style was changed so that the first line read from right to left, the succeeding one from left to right, and so regularly alternating. This style called boustrophedon, prevailed until the 10th century, when the modern arrangement succeeded it. The only moderns who use the "right to left" style are the Persians, Hindus, Brahmins and Abyssinians.

Approximately this may be mentioned that the Egyptian hieroglyphics are arranged in either way all the faces of the men and animals being turned toward the beginning of the line. The Mexicans picture language is arranged in columns reading from bottom to top; and the Chinese, Tartaric and Benyarric and some other inscriptions are arranged in columns reading from top to bottom.

Moody and Saxeby have been carrying on their meetings in San Francisco for sixteen weeks and commenced the seventeenth. At the end of this week they will pull up stakes and start for the East.

A petition is in circulation at Nashville, wanting Gen. W. S. Hancock, U. S. A. to be present at the Nashville Exposition, which is to be opened in May next. If he accepts, he will be much lionized by all classes at the South—being universally esteemed by the masses in the South.

Tennessee Debt. The propositions for the settlement of Tennessee's debt heretofore have been three in number. The first was to pay fifty cents on the dollar of the debt of \$27,000,000 in installments within three years, at five per cent, and six per cent, the second was to pay fifty cents, with four per cent, interest; time, thirty years. The third was to pay seventy five cents on the dollar at three per cent, which in thirty years would amount to \$38,475,000. The present proposition is to pay the \$27,000,000 of debt in three per cent, amounting, in thirty years, to \$51,300,000. The lower house of the Legislature has passed a bill to settle on this basis. The Senate has it under consideration.—C. J.

DIED. Near Hickman, Friday night, 25th ult., Mrs. JULIA E. JONES, wife of Henry C. Jones, of consumption.

Public Notice. Having concluded to accept the agency for Hickman of the celebrated CHARTER OAK Cigar Stores, we will keep a complete line of Extensions, Ranges and Common Stoves, at all times.

J. W. CORMAN & CO. 25cets Lower than the Lowest. I have no clerk expenses no store rent and pay cash for all my Groceries, and therefore can sell as cheap as the cheapest. Best brands of Wittenberg and Lone Star Flour, 25cets cheaper than the lowest. JOHN WITTING.

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Hickman, Cairo & New Madrid.

THE STEAMER SILVERTHORN, W. J. TURNER, MASTER. Leaves Hickman for Cairo and New Madrid, Mondays and Fridays; returning, leaves Hickman for New Madrid, Wednesdays and Saturdays, April 1st.

ESTRAY NOTICE. Taken up as a stray, by Jas. A. Stubbs, living two miles East of Hickman on the Brecken road, in Fulton county, Ky., on the 6th inst., one red spotted COW, aged about 8 years, marked with crop off the left and underberths off the right ear. No other marks or brands perceivable, and which is appraised at the value of twelve dollars.

Witness my hand this March 15th, 1881. J. W. MAYES, J. P. E. C. me25

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